agencies are required to maintain all performance related records for no less than 5 years from the date the rating is issued.

## §430.307 Performance Review Boards (PRBs).

As required by 5 U.S.C. 4314(c), each agency is required to establish one or more PRBs to make recommendations to the appointing authority on the performance of senior executives in the agency.

- (a) Each PRB in an agency shall have three or more members appointed by the head of the agency or by another official or group acting on behalf of the head of the agency.
- (b) Notice of appointment to the PRB must be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.
- (c) The members of the PRB must be appointed in such a manner as to assure consistency, stability, and objectivity in performance appraisal.
- (d) When appraising a career appointee, more than one-half of the membership of the PRB must be SES career appointees unless OPM determines that there exists an insufficient number of career appointees available to comply with the requirement.
- (e) Each PRB will review and evaluate the initial rating, the senior executive's written response, if any, and the written comments, if any, on the initial rating by a higher level executive, and will conduct such further review as the PRB finds necessary.
- (f) Individual PRB members must not take part in any PRB deliberations involving their own appraisals.
- (g) The PRB must make a written recommendation concerning each senior executive's rating of record.

### §430.308 Training and evaluation.

To assure that agency performance appraisal systems will be effectively implemented, agencies must provide appropriate training and information to supervisors and senior executives on the appraisal process, and must establish methods and procedures to evaluate periodically the effectiveness of the system(s) and to implement improvements as needed.

## §430.309 OPM review of SES appraisal systems.

- (a) OPM will review performance appraisal systems to determine if they conform to requirements of law, OPM regulations, and OPM performance management policy.
- (b) If OPM determines that an appraisal system does not meet the requirements and intent of subchapter II of chapter 43 of title 5, United States Code, or of this subpart, it shall direct the agency to implement an appropriate system or to correct operations under the system. The agency shall take any action so required.

# § 430.310 SES performance appraisal systems.

Agencies must submit proposed SES performance appraisal plans to OPM for approval as part of Performance Management Plans in accordance with provisions of this subpart.

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#### PART 432—PERFORMANCE BASED REDUCTION IN GRADE AND RE-MOVAL ACTIONS

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### §432.101 Statutory authority.

This part applies to reduction in grade and removal of employees covered by the provisions of this part based solely on performance at the unacceptable level. 5 U.S.C. 4305 authorizes the Office of Personnel Management to prescribe regulations to carry out the purposes of title 5, chapter 43, United States Code, including 5 U.S.C. 4303, which covers agency actions to reduce in grade or remove employees for unacceptable performance. (The provisions of 5 U.S.C. 7501 et seq., may also